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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: SPOKESMAN OF "TURKISH FEDERATED STATE OF CYPRUS" (TFSC) ISSUED STATEMENT JUNE 20 STRONGLY CRITILIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CIZING UK PRIME MINISTER CALLAGHAN FOR INVITING SPYROS KYPRIANOU TO PAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO UK AS PRESIDENT OF CYPRUS. SPOKESMAN CONTENDED THAT KYPRIANOU WAS LEADER ONLY OF GREEK CYPRIOT COMMUNITY AND UK'S RECOGNITION OF HIM AS PRESIDENT OF ALL CYPRUS WAS ONE-SIDED AND CONTRARY TO UK'S OBLIGATIONS AS ONE OF GUARANTOR POWERS. SPOKESMAN SAID IF UK DOES NOT EXTEND OFFICIAL INVITATION TO

"TFSC PRESIDENT" DENKTASH, BRITAIN WILL LOSE ITS QUALIFICATIONS AS GUARANTOR AND LEGAL BASIS OF ITS SOVEREIGN BASES IN CYPRUS WOULD BE ELIMINATED. END UNCLASSIFIED.

2. BEGIN LOU: COMMENT: SPOKESMAN'S STATEMENT, WHILE CONSISTENT WITH GENERAL "TFSC" OPOSITION TO BRITISH BASES IN CYPRUS, IS MORE A REFLECTION OF TURKISH CYPRIOT ADMINISTRATION'S AGNER AT UK OVER KYPRIANOU'S OFFICIAL VISIT THAN AN INDICATION THAT IT INTENDS TO PRESS THE BASES ISSUE (EVEN IF IT COULD). UK HIGH COMMISSION HERE IS INCLINXED TO SHRUG OFF THE WHOLE MATTER AND POINTS OUT THAT "TFSC'S" LEGAL REASONING ON STATUS OF BASES IS LESS THAN SOUND. END LOU COMMENT. STONE

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